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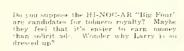
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The year 1956-57 will go down in history as the "Ole Askholm" year, for it was our privilege to welcome Ole as an exchange student from Denniark. We are all richer for having known him.



All of the action at the football games doesn't take place on the field. Here is a study in moods; the players, coach, team doctor, and loyal supporters all react to the play at hand.









A typical scene at first lunch period—Jackie Williams and Davetta Smith enjoy one of the good meals in our cafeteria.



"Say, lady, we're working our way through school," say Tommy Patton and Mary Elizabeth Whitehead as they try to sell magazines to a neighbor in the school-wide subscription drive.







Edward Riner, Blackbird Editor, crowned Kitty Thurman "Miss Print" and Gloria Nelson runner-up in the annual assembly that climaxed the feverish weeks of work in the "Miss Print" Contrest. Congratulations to our lovely redhead, and the doll-like runner-up.



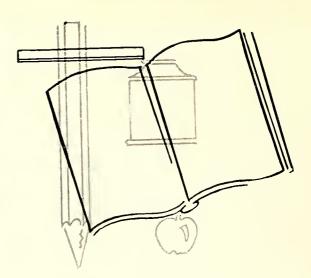
Rocky Mount Senior



High...1957...



"Wonder if I can find anything about the Mau-Mau?" nuses Autry Glover as Faye Kirkland gets busy on her senior theme, too At research paper time the library is the most popular spot in the school.



# these were the days . . .





This is a familiar picture to all Senior High students. Whether it was the first day of school when he welcomed us, or the occasions when he sternly reminded us of our obligations and responsibilities, or his hilarious appearance as "Cy-anta" Clauswa appreciated the efforts of our fine principal, Mr. Edson.

Catching a few quiet moments before the start of a new year is our popular Student Organization President, Don Harris. This picture is rare, for one is more likely to see Don dashing from one place to another in a busy round of activities.





And our parents used to think of Latir in terms of "All Gaul is divided into three parts"! What could be more fun than a real Roman style banquet: Who said Latin is a dead language?

Mr. Jenkins, our patient driver training instructor, is explaining the dual control to our favorite set of twins—John and Mac Hines. "Now you push the accelerator down, the gas goes down and round..."

# Study, Work, Observation, Practice

Who knows but that the future Molly Parnis or Hattie Carnegie may be in this group. At any rate, these girls in Home Ec. can turn out dresses with a real professional look. Attend one of their fashion shows for proof.



He's not afraid of the biggest tackle on any body's high school team, but these typing keys just throw Steve Batchelor. On second thought, maybe he just wants some special attention from Miss Clark—as who wouldn't!





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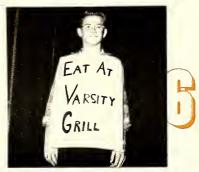












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# Foreword . . .

Flue-cured tobacco is tremendously important to the economy of North Carolina and Rocky Mount. Generally, it contributes more than 50 per cent of the total annual cash farm income. Because approximately one half of the total flue-cured tobacco acreage in the state is found in the counties surrounding Rocky Mount, we at Senior High recognize the importance of the "golden weed" in our everyday life.



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Some of us live on farms, others have fathers who earn their livelihood in the various phases of tobacco production, but all of us are affected directly by the phrase "Tobacco season", or "when the market opens". Then more help is needed in the stores; money is more plentiful.

When the feel of fall is in the air, and the rich aroma of tobacco wafts over our town, it is then that the chant of the auctioneer, the rumble of the heavily laden trucks, the plaintive voice of the singer of "country style" music and the blast of the factory whistle form the symphony of progress for our city.





To Miss Dorothy Craighill



Whose interest has been an inspiration;

succeeded;

Whose life has influenced us to attain the highest goals;

Whose prayers have followed us day after day; Whose greatest joy is in knowing that we have

We lovingly dedicate this, the 1957 Hi-Noc-Ar.

Leighten, I think the world Jigm. never lose that shy, sweet smile. Its roughell ? PS Isn't French easy?





# Administration

It has been the policy of the local School Board through the years to provide the best possible educational advantages for students passing through the Rocky Mount Schools. The beautiful and functional plant in which you have received your high school education is in keeping with this policy. Our interest in the students of our schools does not end with their high school graduation. We will follow with great interest the progress of our graduates as they advance step by step to lives of usefulness in the world ahead.

D. S. Johnson

Congratulations to the Hi-Noc-Ar Staff for an excellent portrayal of the year's events between the covers of this the 1957 Hi-Noc-Ar. Highest praise to the student body for one of the most outstanding years in the history of our school. Deepest gratitude to the faculty for their unselfish devotion to duty and their untiring efforts in behalf of our students. A reluctant farewell to our graduating Seniors and a sincere wish that they may be successful in their chosen fields of endeavor.

C. M. Edson



MISS KITCHIN

Senior High is fortunate in having as its guidance counselor Miss Kate Parks Kitchin -a lady of many talents. Her work varies from that of class room teaching to guiding students in preparation for employment, aiding college bound seniors with admission procedures and helping them obtain scholarships. As adviser to the Student Organization she is responsible for the entire social program of the school. In every phase of activity she displays the graciousness, tact, and poise that are so characteristic of her.



MRS. CARR

MRS. CARR

Recause she's Senior's Ogden Nash
We write this tribute in rhyme.
To the one and only Bessie S. Carr
Who's a joy to know—all the time.
She collects our cash, she works like mad
To keep schedule changes up to date;
And through it all her sparkling wit
Entertains all comers—early and late!
Whatever the task, it's done with case
By this wizard of secretarial art;
And if the day ever comes that she decides to leave
Senior High will fall apart!

TOP: SCHOOL EOARD (1 to r) Mr. William Coleman, Mr. C. S. Edwards, Mr. J. R. Wells, Mr. Frank Wilkirson, Mr. Myers Ivey, Mr. Guy Barnes, Mr. L. B. Edwards, Mrs. T. R. Easterling, Mr. D. S. Johnson, Mrs. Julian Whitehurst. BOTTOM: OFFICE HELPERS (1 to r) Brenda Burnette, Anne Dove, Pat Johnson, Kay Toler, Sandra Melton, "Puddie" Gold.

TOP: SUPERINTENDENT'S STAFF (1 to r) Miss Glenda Overman, Mrs. Dorothy S. Lamin, Mrs. Frances Speight.

BOTTOM: MISS KITCH) N'S HELPERS (1 to r) Linda Pittman, Jean Edwards, Pat Bell, Marilyn Richardson, Pat Clack.











Left to right: Lucille Debnam, Mrs. Helen Taylor, Mrs. Carrie Walker, Mrs. Nora Eason, Mrs. Letha Edwards, Mrs. Betty Boone, Mrs. Ann Lucas, Ann Johnson, Mrs. Edna Hagens, Mrs. Doris Hackney, Mrs. Janie Carson, Mrs. Gertrude Knowles.

# our dependable personnel

Mi. Cartice, carpenter extraordinary, is a real "Mr. Fixit", and Mr. Shaw, our engineer, is always busy keeping our school comfortable, and everything in smooth running order.



MR. SHAW





WALTER HOWARD



ALLENE HOWARD



DAN DIXON



MRS. GRACE PROCTOR

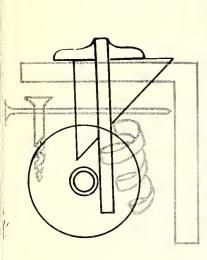
No group in school is more important than the management, service and maintenance corps. Senior High is fortunate indeed to have an interested, efficient, and capable personnel who enjoy rendering service to the school and community.

Mrs. Grace Proctor serves as lunchroom supervisor for the entire city system—a position of tremendous responsibility since it entails purchasing the food and seeing that nutritious meals are served daily. In spite of her time consuming job, Mrs. Proctor always has a cheerful smile, and is one of Senior High's most ardent boosters.

Mrs. Ann Lucas, manager of our cafeteria, has assumed her new duties with willingness and efficiency. Courteous and kind, she is a definite asset to our staff,

In Dan Dixon, Allene and Walter Howard we have the finest custodians to be found anywhere. They take real pride in keeping our buildings clean, our grounds attractive and in performing countless other tasks pleasantly and willingly.

We salute this fine group for their splendid service.



A look behind the scenes in our cafeteria.





FACULTY

MR. NEAL A. ADKINS Vocational Education and Industrial Arts

MR. ERNEST G. BLACK Band Director

MRS, JACQUELINE BLACKBURN World History, English

MISS LAURA BOICE

MISS WITA A. BOND Mathematics

MRS. SUE H. BOWDEN English

MISS FRANCES GLARK Commercial

MISS DOROTHY GRAIGHILL French

MRS. MARY E. GUTHRELL Spanish

MR. RALPH GORHAM Social Studies

MISS JOSEPHINE GRANT Home Economics

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MISS LOUISE PARKER Latin, Psychology, World History

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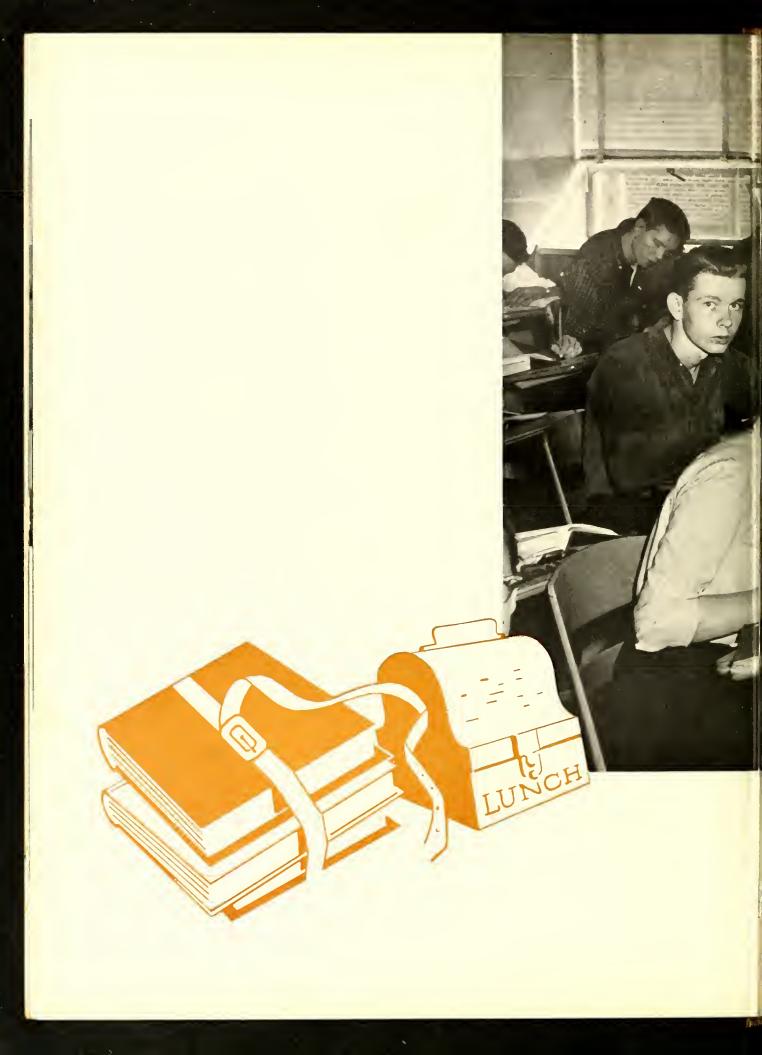
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MISS RUBIE VAUSE English

MRS. NELLIE WINSTEAD Commercial

MRS, BESS T. YOUNG English, Journalism







Classes





Miss Parker examines one of Kitty Thurman's Government Class projects.

Mike Williford seems to be having some trouble with a Spanish declension, but Mrs. Cuthrell is giving expert advice.



Retha Kermon is engaged in giving her Senior Theme talk to an attentive audience.



Pat-y, Miriam and Ollie admire the handiwork of the Home Economies demonstration.

### FALL OFFICERS

President, Frank Wilkinson Vice-President, Dan Woodruff Secretary, Davetta Smith Treasurer, Alton Jackson

### SPRING OFFICERS

Vice-President, MIKE WOMBLE
President, Freddy Fulcher
Treasurer, Jo-Jo Cuthrell
Secretary, Ruth Frazier
Advisor, Mr. Privott



Busily setting up the Science Department's exhibit are Bill Waters and Robert Wynne.





# Senior Class History

In the year 1954, we, the 1956 harvest, were planted in Rocky Mount Senior High School. With us were planted Help and Friendship. Each little seed had its place, and we grew that year.

We grew well through all the sunshine of dances, football, basketball, and baseball games, and the rain of tests and term exams.

The faculty and advisors kept us from straying along the way, and with Miss Kitchin's and Mr. Privott's constant and untiring help in group guidance, we formed the basis for our high school career.

We progressed under the able leadership of Frank Wilkinson, our President, and even won the prize for the school magazine sale, having both top and second high salesmen, Don Lancaster and Martha Ann Fountain.

We organized the Sophomore Scholastic Society for those students in our crop with the highest grades. This was the first organization in our school designed to give scholastic recognition to sophomores.

The hurrahs and hand clapping heard when Kitty







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JOANNE ARRINGTON
Joanne
1214 S. Church St.



OLE GEORGI ASKHOLM Ole 634 Piedmont Ave. ELIZABETH ENGLISH AVEKA Betsy Sunsel Apartments





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Thurman, one of our own, was announced to be runnerup in the "Miss Print" Contest will never be forgotten.

At the end of our second semester, led by Jackie Skinner, we put on a Sophomore Hop which will long be remembered by participating parents and members of the faculty. We had so much fun playing baseball by the river, singing to Roger Gregory's ukelele, eating hot dogs, and burned marshmallows, and dancing in the pavilion. Of course, Richard Taylor had to be a little unusual by taking an unexpected plunge into the muddy depths of the Tar River.

With Buddy Cockrell winning the Civitan Service Award, our sophomore year came to a happy close, each of us content with our efforts and goals attained, as we had strived with a willingness to learn and grow.

During our junior year we really began to flower. Adam Maples was elected our first President and was re-elected second semester. Our crop began showing their growth in many ways, not only in growth of stature, but in leadership and service.







MARY IRENE CHASON Mary 922 Arlington St. JOHN ALVAH CHURCHILL, III Johnny 726 Falls Rd.



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JUDITH CAROL COBB Judy Battleboro

ARTHUR ELLIOT COCKRELL Buddy 841 Sunset Ave.

HOMER FRANKLIN COCKRELL Homer 743 Nashville Rd.

IDA REBECCA COLEY Becky 622 Western Ave.

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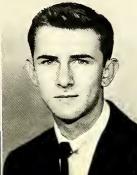


















# Senior Class History

Gosh! Weren't we lucky to have a part in the NCSCC convention? It was held at our own school, and we were so proud. The convention was climaxed by a big dance given in honor of the delegates.

This was also the first year that our school became a member of The Southern Association of Student Councils. From our class Jean Edwards and Bettie Ann Whitehurst represented our school for four days in Columbia, S. C.

We were also honored by being chosen as hosts for the Southeastern District "I Speak for Democracy" Contest. Dan Duckworth, Tennessee's winner, spoke here and went on to become the National winner.

Having the most outstanding athletic teams in a number of years, we were justly prond of Adam Maples, Jackie Williams, and Jackie Skinner. Boy, we had the tops!

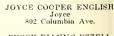
The Junior-Senior Prom seemed to be the sole topic on everyone's lips. The sweat, patience, and work that went into that dance! The theme was "Under the Sea", and after the last fish was hung, (with much danger to life and limb) and the last dab of paint applied, we went home.





JEAN RELFE EDWARDDS
Jean
612 S. Taylor St.

PATRICIA ANNE EDWARRDS Pat 1028 S. Franklin St.



PEGGY DIANNE EZZELL Dianne 609 Avent St.





# Senior Class History

Somehow, we all managed to appear at the banquet of King Neptune's Court in all our finery. Then we joined the Seniors in our fairyland gym. Fish hanging from the ceiling and treasure chests set the mood. The dance was highlighted with the crowning of the beauty queen. Our class provided some beauties too, and three of them were chosen to be in the court, these being Lee Newby, Bettie Ann Whitehurst, and Ellen Joyner. Candidates for the court were elected by fellow classmates, and these were Barbara Davis, Betty Lou Savage. Eleanor Bulluck, Kitty Thurman, and Sylvia Updegraff.

Our home room mothers gave us a "Rising Senior Tea". We suddenly realized that we were about to become seniors, and found it hard to believe.

Members of our faculty selected several members of our class to represent us during the summer at various meetings to be held. Don Harris was chosen the delegate to Boys' State, and Kitty Thurman and Marilyn Richardson at Girls' State. Ed Riner and Davetta Smith were selected to represent us at Wildacres. Not to be left out in the









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LEMMIE DOLPHUS LEE, JR. Lemmie 732 School St.

JIMMY DALE LINDSEY Jimmy 305 Amos St.





















# Senior Class History

reception of awards was Jackie Williams, who received the annual Civitan Award.

1956 brought to our class and school the loss of a member of our faculty, Mr. C. C. Cleetwood, but our loss was Junior High's gain. He left us to become their principal.

Well, we made it! We were seniors. Little did we know what a fruitful year this was to be for us.

Some of our little buds had blossomed into big plants and begun the hardest and highest duties and honors in the school. Don Harris was elected Student Organization President, Bettie Ann Whitehurst was elected Editor of the HI-NOC-AR, and Ed Riner, Editor of *The Blackbird*.

But within our class, Frank Wilkinson had been again elected President and was blazing the path for the things we wished to accomplish in our last year at R.M.S.H.S.

We had a visitor this last year. Ole Askholm, from Cdense, Denmark. He became temporarily Billy Faulkner's brother. As an exchange student, Ole proved himself an excellent student and a wonderful guy. He reminded all of us of the fact that countries may be differ-









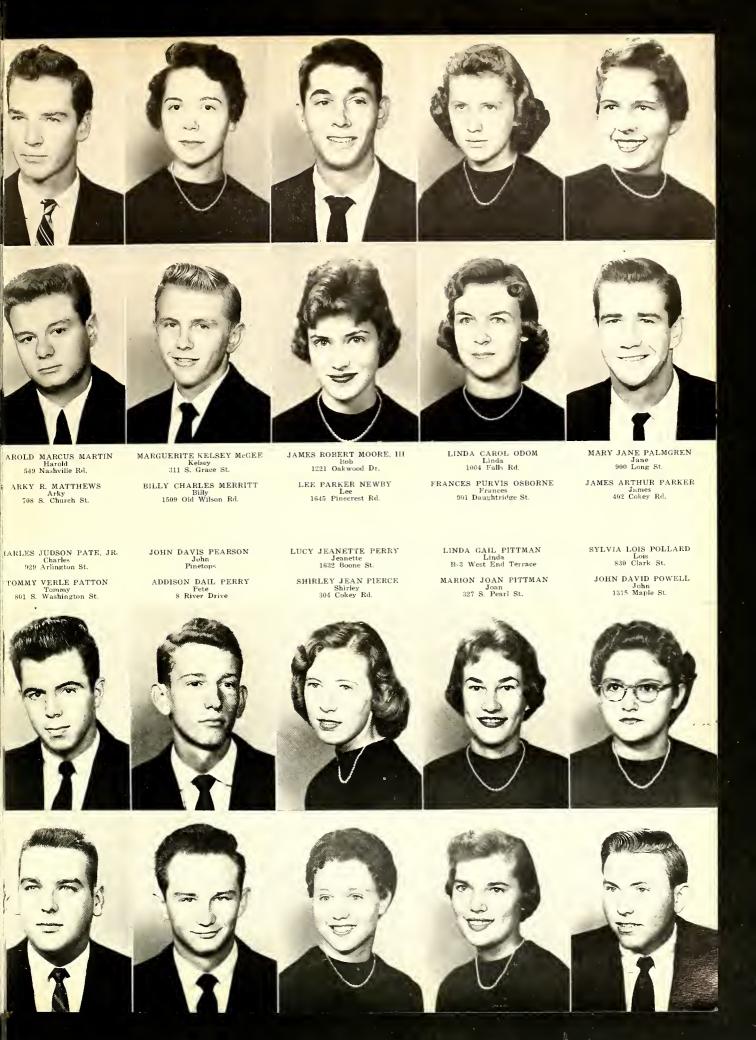
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JUDITH ANN McRAE Judy 1823 W. Thomas St.

ADAM THORP MAPLES Adam 724 Redgate Ave.





## Senior Class History

ent, but the people all remain very much alike in friendliness and good will.

We were glad to have the opportunity to adopt a little Korean War orphan, Kim Chang Ja. It had been the tradition, so our class voted to continue this fine service.

At the beginning of the year Kitty Thurman was crowned "Miss Print" for 1956. From our class we were happy to have Eleanor Bulluck, Luanne Hobbs, and Betsy Avera participating.

Homecoming was more fun than a barrel of monkeys. At the football game half-time came the traditional crowning of the "Campus Sweetheart", who was selected by vote from the student body. Ellen Joyner received this high honor with Bettie Ann Whitehurst and Lee Newby being named runners-up. A dance was given after the game honoring these three.

In December Larry Warner and Kelsey McGee received recognition for their fine showing in the Merit Scholarship Exams. We were proud to say that two members of our class rated along with the top 7,000 students in the U.S.

Freddy Fulcher became our second semester President.







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ANNA LAURA SMITHSON Anna 507 Edgecombe St. ROY ATLAS SOUTHERLAND Bobby 1101 Hammond St.

FRANCES LYNETTE SPAIN Lynette 123 Daisy St.





















## Senior Class History

He did a wonderful job as our last year in high school came to a close.

It was fun being on the receiving end of the Junior-Senior this year. Entering the gym and seeing all the beautiful decorations displayed especially for us, made us so happy. Then our joy turned briefly to sadness as we realized that this was our last year here. Nevertheless, we made this Prom the best in the history of the school (at least so in our opinion).

Graduation came, too, after weeks of preparation and eager anticipation. The familiar strains of "Pomp and Circumstance" gave us a sense of pride and achievement. Our hearts swelled with emotion as we marched slowly into the auditorium.

Another crop was harvested, but what would become of us now? What other fields of endeavor will we enter science, teaching, medicine, journalism, social work, mission work, law, or perhaps politics? We are a little apprehensive, but we will go forth with our heads held high.

The yield of the Class of 1957 at Rocky Mount Senior High School was indeed a superior crop.









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PATSY NELMS STARLING Patsy 706 Olney St.

CHARLES ELLIOTT STATON Charles 740 Redgate Ave.









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Thomas
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CAROLYN JANE WINTER

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# Senior Class





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Dan
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DONALD EUGENE WRIGHT Gene 1113 Clark St.

ROBERT LEE WYNNE Robert 1221 Rosewood Ave.

FRANCES MARIE DRAKE Frances 119 North Pearl St.









# JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS 1st Semester

(left to right)

President—BLOUNT TAYLOR

Secretary—Anna Spruill

Vice-President—Pat Thurman

Treasurer—Vickie Taylor

#### The Juniors

The main project of the Junior Class is to put on the Junior-Senior dance which is the biggest event of the year.

This year's dance was one of the finest yet! The decorations were beautiful and everyone had a glorious time!!!

The Junior class was well represented in the Beauty Court and in the artistic figure.

# JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS 2nd Semester

(left to right)

Secretary—Celia Brake

Vice-President—Craig Daughtridge

Treasurer—Brenda Burnett

Advisor—Miss Craighill

President—Blount Taylor





KEITH ABBOTT
BETSY ALEXANDER
JAMES ARMSTRONG
TOMMY ARMSTRONG
MOLLY ARNOLD

JOHN BAGGETT
ERNESTINE BARNES
MILON BARNES
SYLVIA BARRETT
BOBBY BATTLE

WILLARD BATTS
PAT BEIL
JOHN BLAND
JANE BRADLEY
BECKY BRAKE

CELIA BRAKE
FRANK BRAKE
JEANETTE BRANTLEY
BARBARA BROWN
JOHN BROWN

JUDY BROWN NORMAN BROWN KAY BRYANT CHARLOTTE BULLUCK LELON BULLUCK

JOYCE BURGESS
BRENDA BURNETTE
EVELYN CAHOON
CAROLINE CAMPBELL
JOE CAPEL

PHYLLIS CARPENTER BOB CARR BOBBY CASH RUSSELL CLACK PENOLA COLBERT

TOMMY COLEMAN
DAVID COLLINS
MITCHELL COLLINS
BILL COLSON
DAVID COUCH



# Junior



PAT COUGHLIN
TOMMY CRAFT
ALLEN CRONENBERG
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TOMMY HEDGEPETH WYNETTE HICKS HENRY HINSON TOMMY HOBBS WILLIAM HOBGOOD

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SONYA HOOKER MARY HORNE DEWEY HOWARD BOBBY JACKSON RAY JACKSON

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JOYCE JONES
LESLIE JONES
KENNETH JORDAN
ESTER FAYE JOYNER

GERALD JOYNER
MELVIN KEEN
LINDA CAROL KELLY
RONALD KING
WAYNE KNOWLES

FAYE LAMM
PEGGY LAMM
DON LANCASTER
GUS LANCASTER
RUSTY LANCASTER

JIMMY LAND
MIKE LANDERS
ELIZABETH LANDEN
SHEILAH LEE
PEGGY LEONARD

CRAY LESTEK
JOYCE LEWIS
PATRICIA LOWDER
DOROTHY MAGEE
CECIL MARKS

JULIAN MAY
MITCHELL McKINNEY
LARRY MEDFORD
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MARY FRANCES NORFORD
EUGENIA NORMENT
ALTON OAKLEY
CHARLES OVERTON

SONYA PARIS
JIMMY PARKER
NANCY PARKER
JUDY PARKER
MARILYN PEARCE

BILLY PEELE
HILDA PERRY
JUDY PERRY
RONALD PEKRY
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TOMMY REESE
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DANNY ROGERS
MARY ANN ROTTERS
BETTY SUE SALLEE

ROGER SELLERS
CLINTON SHARPE
SANDRA SHAW
PEGGY SINGLETARY
LEIGHTON SMITH

BARBARA SOUTHERLAND ANNA SPECILL GEORGE STATON JOHN STURGESS HEBER SUTTON

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JULIA SUTTON
MARGARET SUTTON
DOROTHY SYKES
MARTHA TANNER
BLOUNT TAYLOR

PATSY TAYLOR
VICKIE TAYLOR
KYLE THOMAS
JANICE THOMPSON
JIMMY THORPE

CAROL THREATT
BUZZY TILLEY
KAY TOLER
CLAUDIA TOLSTON
JEAN TREVATHAN

KENNETH TUCKER
KAY TURNAGE
ADRIAN TURNER
EDDIE TYLER
RENA VASILAKOU

STANLEY VAUGHAN
PEGGY VIVERETTE
LARRY WARD
JIMMY WATERS
JEAN WATSON

LOUISE WATTS
DAN WESTER
JANIE WEBSTER
RAY WHITE
TOMMY WHITLEY

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TERRY EZZELL
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EDWARD FLEMING
JOHN FLEMING
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BUTCH JONES
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WILLIE MOORE
BONNIE MURCHISON
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RED NELSON
JIMMY NEWELL
CAROLYN NIGHOLS

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VIRGINIA NORMENT
JIMMY NORVILLE
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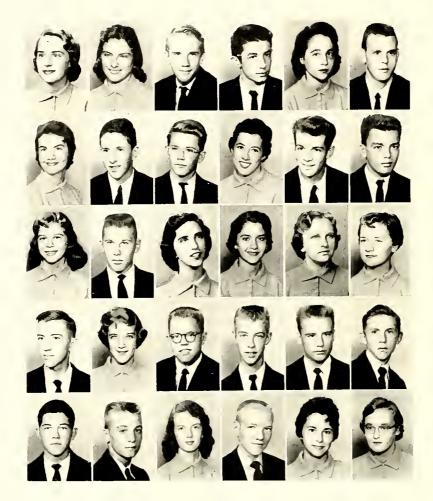
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DALE STEVENS
SELMA STILLEY
SUSIE STREET
JULIA STRICKLAND
ELLEN STOVALL



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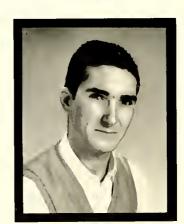
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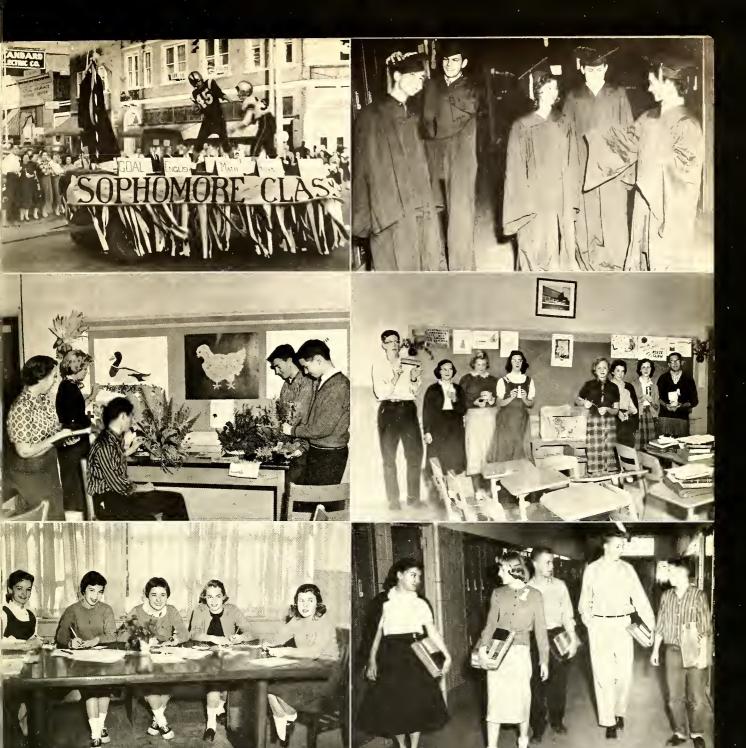
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ZENO WILLIAMS
EDITH WILLIFORD
FRANCES YOST

#### IN MEMORIAM

LOUIS CLAY VICK

September 14, 1938—-November 20, 1956





#### SOPHOMORE WORK AND FROLIC

The outstanding float which represented the Sophomore Class in the Homecoming Parade.

Some of Mrs. Van's Biology students admire each other's projects.

Sophomores work on invitations for the Christmas Dance.

The mortar boards and gowns need growing into—about three years worth.

Students in 10-C, Creative Writing, show their advertising abilities.

Discussing their new roles as sophomores, these students seem in no hurry to get to class.







Organizations



Serving our school to the best of their abilities are our Student Organization officers. (I to r) Judy Brown, Secretary; Don Harris, President; Jackie Williams, Treasurer; Miss Kitchin, Advisor; and Allen Cronenberg, Vice-President.

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Two committees, in particular, have greatly expanded their work. The Publicity Committee, in addition to its weekly column Hi-Lites, has co-operated with every Student Organization effort. Many and attractive Bulletin Board displays have advertised major school events. Posters and slogaus have been used in the halls and homorooms to help build school morale.

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The Social Committee has worked diligently to develop a social program broad enough in scope and varied enough in content to reach the majority of the students. Three dances —Homecoming. Christmas, and Spring—, four sock hops after basketball games, the orientation program for tenth graders, the class parties, operating the Fayetteville train concession, and sponsoring the half-time friendship ceremonies at home football games have constituted a part of the activities of this committee. Its special project, however, has been the furnishing and establishing of schedules

and programs for a temporary Student Lounge in the General Purpose Room. This committee has also acted as a courtesy committee throughout the year.

The Elections Committee in an all-out effort accomplished the highest registration of students in our history. 96.2 per cent of all students registered. Unfortunately the voting

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# Student Organization

Front row: (1 to r) Elbert Robbins, Larry Warner, Barbara Davis, Peggy Andrews, Ruth Frazier, Anna Smithson, Rachel Goodwin, Becky Coley, Judy Capps, Faye Kirkland, Martha Fountain, Ole Askholm, John Person, Bobby Southerland. Second row: Roger Stallings, Ronald Perry, Dorothy Magee, Kay Turnage, Sandra Melton, Judy Parker, Alton Oakley, Bobby Daniel, Cecil Marks, Lee Bulluck, Jimmy Parker, Willard Batts, Third row: Jane Fountain, Nancy Coggins, Bobby Batton, Jimmy Gilbert, Roland Parker, Bobby Joe Ayers, Johnny Williams, Janice Dawson, Katle Tyner, Vickie Odom, Gloria Nelson, Ann Sugg, Janet Bulluck, Bill Stancil, Haywood Evans.



lution requesting the three classes to share with the Student Organization the profits from the annual Magazine Campaign. This resolution was successfully supported in the class meetings and carried in each group. Upon the recommendation of this committee and of the manager of the Student Store, the first transfer of profit from the Student Store was made to the general fund of the Student Organization.

Two projects of the general Organization have been noteworthy. This year marks our first participation in the Foreign Exchange Program. The presence of Ole Askholm in our school has been an experience both highly pleasant and greatly beneficial. The prospect of sending one of our Juniors abroad in the Summer is also highly pleasing. "Operation Honor" sponsored during the first week of February was a sincere effort to cinphasize and assist in developing a higher sense of honor among our students. Though the results are intangible, it is our sincere hope that they are being far-reaching and favorable. This project called for and mobilized the co-operative effort of every level of the Student Organization; the Homerooms, the Classes, the Cabinet and Committees of the General Organization.

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Ellen Joyner, Chairman of the Social Committee is shown pouring punch to Ann Pullen at one of our school functions.

President's Cabinet: Seated (1 to r) Roger Gregory, Betsy Edwards, Tommy Patton, Jo Dare Williams, Don Harris, Judy Brown, Haywood Edmundson, Ellen Joyner, Ed Riner. Standing: Allen Cronenberg, Bettie Ann Whitehurst, Jackie Williams, Marilyn Richardson, John Pearson, Jackie Skinner.



# The 1957 Hi-Noc-Ar Staff





At work on the Sports Section are Roger Gregory, David Harper, and Adam Maples.

Long hours of tedious work combined with enthusiasm and a desire to please, go into the production of an Annual, and this year's staff has certainly shown all these qualities.

Early deadlines did not prevent staff members from carrying out their duties in an enthusiastic manner. Not only did they reach their advertising goal, but exceeded it.

Aside from the work there was fun, too, as Homecoming came and they again won a prize in the parade. Holidays and vacation time were provided with parties and fun, a minor reward for the services rendered.

Constantly trying to improve on the previous books presents a problem, and only staff co-operation can make success possible. Through their earnest endeavors, the staff members hope that you have found this, the 1957 Hi-Noc-Ar, one to be proud of.



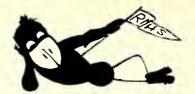


Top: Mary Rhodes Sanders, Richard Taylor, and Craig Daughtridge go through old material while ((bottom) Jean Edwards, Sandra Matton, and Carol Heck help with the sales campaign.

Seated: (1 to r) Lee Newby, Carol Heck, Jean Edwards, Bettie Ann Whitehurst, Luanne Hobbs, Standing: Adam Maples, Miss Clark, Roger Gregory, Martha Fountain, Richard Taylor, Sandra Melton, Craig Daughtridge, David Harper, Larry Warner, and Miss "Murk".



# The Blackbird Staff





MRS. T. D. YOUNG Advisor



ED RINER Editor



CLARE DAVENPORT Business Manager



BARBARA DAVIS Advertising Manager

Furnishing a small "city" with a monthly newspaper is the responsibility of *The Blackbird* staff. This year's policy, following that of past years, is to give the subscribers the best accurate, brief, and clear coverage of school activities. *The Blackbird* both reports the news for the present and records it for the future.

Experiments were made this year to improve the paper. Trying to please the subscribers, the paper printed on both slick paper and newsprint. The Blackbird used a Scan-O-Graver Machine for making picture engravings on plastic instead of lead. This way pictures for the paper could be made at a later date. Delivering the paper on Tuesday instead of Wednesday allows only two days to elapse between the deadline and the time the paper "hits the street".

No matter what the staff has its fingers in—paint or grease paint—it has all been for the same cause: Rocky Mount Senior High School.

Back to Front: Ed Riner, Ed Justa, Barbara Davis, Mrs. Young, Frank Brake, Anna Spruill, Carol Threatt, Russell Clack, Molly Arnold, Frances Gay, Ellen Joyner, and Kitty Thurman.





Busily working on the next issue of *The Bluckbird* are: (1 to r) Frances Gay, Eleanor Bulluck, Ed Riner, Joe Capel, and Kelsey McGee.

Making plans for pictures to be made are; Kitty Thurman, Pat Bell, Cloria Gold, Russell Clack and Ellen Joyner.



The tiny "Blackbird Room" is the scene of many hours of  $ty\rho ing$ , discussion, and the actual writing of layouts. Here it finds Ed Justa, Carol Threatt, Gwen Currin, Celia Biake, Clare Davenport making good use of it.



Fitting ads into an allotted amount of space are: Frank Brake, Barbara Davis, Anna Spruill, and Molly Arnold.

Advisor, Mrs. Sue Bowden-Members: Kay Beach, Jane Sutton, Susan Keel, Frances Yost, Gail Walker, Mary Louis Langley, Mildred Lamlen, Linda Lewis, Judy Boyd, Vickie Battle, Jean Bulluck, Regina Harles, Pat Jordan, and Lou Bryan.

Advisor, Mrs. Nellie Winstead, Members: Bonnie Paker, Junice Duwson, Paula Ezzelle, Sandru Hardesty, Annie Lou Hawkins, Judy Leonard, Evelyn McLamb, Gloria Nelson, Ann Pearce, Putsy Ray, Margaret Raymor, Frances Spell, Patsy Viverette, Gail Wald, Ole Askholm, John Baggett, John Brown, Jack Byrne, Bill Colson, Talvin Daughtridge, Freddie Gardner, Genn Hill, Jackie Jackson, Rusty Lancaceter, John Long, William Mallison, Tommy Mears, Bob Moore, Willie Moare, Pete Perry, Bob Pierce, Billy Smith, Jimmy Thorpe, Jumes Warren, Ray White,

#### Musettes

The Musettes are those students interested in the teaching field. They work in close co-operation with the faculty in learning the various facets of education. Their study extends from kindergarten to Senior High. Various projects and speakers aid in explaining and demonstrating the science of teaching to these interested future teachers.

# Personal Typing Club

The Personal Typing Club serves many purposes: to familiarize its members with the parts of the typewriter, teach the keyboard by touch control, and acquaint its members with familiar material. It gives those students who think they might like to curoll in typing an opportunity to decide whether they would like it as a regular course. It gives others an opportunity to learn the fundamentals of typing which will enable them to increase their typing skill through their own efforts without instruction.

# Junior Music Club

The Junior Music Club is an organization composed of students who enjoy music and have musical ability. They meet once a month to learn more about musical history and terms. Under the supervision of Mrs. John Lee, this club has done much for the musically inclined students of our school. Each year the club gives a scholarship to a senior who plans to attend college and further his study in music.

Audio-Visual Club

The aims of the Audio-Visual Club are to learn the principles of operation of projectors, cameras, recording equipment, and other audio-visual equipment, and to give the club members an opportunity to work on individual projects of interest. Once the members are trained to operate the audio-visual equipment, they are able to be of help in the various classes which might use this equipment.

Marilyn Richardson, Gloria Gold, Frances Gay, Sylvia Barrett, Luanne Hobbs, Judy Brown, Jo Dare Williams, Rena Vasilakou, Lou Bryan, Margaret Sutton, Margo Kennedy, Betty Gail Fuller, Fran Norford, Martha Sutton, Craig Daughtridge, Teddy Gossett, and Janet Bulluck.



Gus Lancaster, Jimmy Casey, Owen Delamar, Selmer Stilley, Edward Branch, Ronnie Capps, Homer Cockrell, Pat Coughlin, Bobby Davis, Mike Grady, Tony Hammond, Tom McGee, Buddy Moore, Butch Rose, Randy Vick, Bill Waters, J. B. Williford, Dan Woodruff, and Mr. C. E. Privott, Advisor.

#### F. H. A.

The Future Homemakers of America was designed to promote a growing appreciation of the joys and satisfaction of homemaking, and to promote international good will. This organization emphasizes the importance of creative leadership in home and community life, and the importance of worthy home membership. Democracy in all phases of living is encouraged along with wholesome individual and group recreation. The members of the F. H. A. have learned to face the future with warm courage and high hope.

Members are (1 to r) Alice Starling, Peggy Bulluck, Doris Williams, Peggy Bridges, Ruth Harper, Miss Grant, Faye Lamm, Judy Cobb, Julia Strickland, Pat Edwards, Alice Medford, Betty Lou Jones, Fannie Mae Polson, Linda Speight.



Members are: Tommy Årmstrong, Linda Ezzelle, Elizabeth Landen, Mary Horne, Barbara Pearce, Pergy Renns, Mattic Sessonas, Suzanae Stephenson, Joe Tippett, Pat Thurman, Tony Pridgen, Ann Warren, Barbara Webb, Jane Winters, Dorothy Magee, Junice Thompson, Christine Boone, Jerry Davis, and Mickey Kermon.

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#### Junior Red Cross

The aims of the Junior Red Cross Club are: 1. Service: Believing in service for others, for their country, their community, their school, they put forth their best.
2. Health: With health of mind and body, they fit themselves for greater service.
3. International relations throughout the world, they have broadened themselves and thus broadened others. 4. Citizenship: They have joined the American Junior Red Cross to help achieve its aims.

Sented: (I to r) Cecil Marks, Retha Kermon, Rachel Goodwin, Ruth Clay, Bobbie Jean Pullen, Carolyn Langley. Standing: Kay Barbee, Mary Chason, Ann Dove, Judy Capps, Dianne Ezzell, Annette Lee, Pat Johnson, Corwin Ecklin, Mitchell McKinney, William Faulkner, Margaret Ricks, Glorin Barkley, Kyle Thomas, Patsy Daughtridge, Carolyn Smith, Dickie Lane, Lee Bulluck.



Members are: Tommy Adkins, John Bandy, Linda Beland, Janet Bulluck, Cleve Cherry, Nancy Coggins, Louis Davenport, Mary Brent Elmore, Gloria Farris, Frances Gorham, Teddy Gossett, Chuck Haggerty, Evelyn Harrell, Barbara Harris, Sandra Hedgepeth, Mac Hines, Janet Hunt, Sandra Mangum, Jimmy Norville, Ann Pullen, Lou Ann Randolph, Kaye Shearin, Ann Sugg, Bill Stancil, Henry Waters, Roberta Williams, David Williams, Kurt von Gehr.

#### Kudos

This recently formed club has proven itself worthy as an outstanding service organization. Always busy, they help school and civic groups in various enterprises. The members also elect for recognition periodically those who have given mnrecognized service. In this way the club helps to reach its goal of "serving our community, our school, and our classmates, and working for others unselfishly."

With such high ideals and established fundamentals, this organization is sure to grow and gain even more honor for itself in the future.

### Junior Classical League

The Junior Classical League is a national organization composed of local classical clubs in junior and senior high schools throughout the U. S. and its territories.

The purpose of this organization is to encourage among the young people an interest in and an appreciation of the civilization, language, literature, and art of ancient Greece and Rome, and to give them some understanding of the debt of our own culture to that of classical antiquity.

A highlight of the year will be the Roman Banquet to be held in the Spring. At this time the members return to the revelries of the days of Julius Caesar.



Judy Brown, the Choir pianist



Mr. Parry, our hard working choir director, taking a break.

#### **CHOIR**

Members of the Choir are; Larry Warner, Wayne Knowles, Raymond Hudson, Ronald King, Ronald Hay, Ronald Perry, Lee Bulluck, Fred Fulcher, Billy Sessoms, Adam Maples, Roger Gregory, Stanley Vaughan, Charles Elwards, Kenneth Tucker, Kenneth Jordan, Clarence Williams, Ronnic Viverette, Harold Walker, Jackie Williams, Clinton Sharpe, Melvin Keen, Tommy Whitley, Mary Buchan, Patsy Higson, Patricia Walsh, Martha Sutton, Joyce Reams, Miriam Abbott, Miriam Viverette, Ann Dove, Mary Alice Rackley, Linda Gail Pridgen, Faye Kirkland, Fran Norford, Marilya Richardson, Jackie Miller, Linda Filtman, Sylvia Barrett, Pat Cooper, Judy MacRae, Irma Mooring, Becky Brake, Faye Nelms, Mary Elizabeth Whitehead, Barbara Davis, Jane Palmgren, Gloria Gold, Charlotte Carmichael, Thomasine Farmer, Bettie Ann Whitehurst, Jo-Jo Cuthrell, Ernestine Barnes, Davetta Smith, Charlotte Bulluck, Jo Ann Jackson, Sandra Shaw, Gene Daughtridge, Gail Sutton, Mary Chason, Mary Sanders, Carolyn Robbins, Kay Barbee, Ann Flye, and Kit Sanders.





Members of the Band are: Esther Joyner, Linda Ezzell, Patsy Viverette, Ann Warren, Elaine Bell, Roger Sellers, Randy Dabbs, Willie Moore, Daniel Powell, John Fleming, Zeno Williams, Bobby Fisher, Betsy Edwards, Jimmy Hoell, Katie Tyner, Ronald King, Milon Barnes, Gene Eason, Eddie Tyler, Selmer Stilley, Jimmy Gardner, Owen Delamar, Bobby Collins, Jimmy Casey, Jimmy Norville, Herman Harsey, Don Lancaster, Mar hall Deans, John Singletary, Margaret Sutton, Gale Koonce, Bill Stancil, John Grady, Gus Lancaster, Millard Howard, Mickey Hall, Dewey Howard, Melvin Keen, Cora Sugg, Judy Drake, John Parker, Robin Debnam, Turner Coley, Johnny Avent, Beverly Hall, Ronnie Bunn, Robert Taylor, Ernest Bridges, Joe Whaley, Kenneth Watson, Henry Sanders, Ronnie Robbins, Wilma Shearin, Mary F. Barnes, Johnny Baldwin, Ronnie Gardner, Wicky Thorp, Dennis Barnes, Sammy Gorham, Jenny Tyner, Barbara Hall, Lillie Mae Delamar, Randy Wigle, Jim Farmer, Bill Haddon, Roger Barnes, Tony Eggleston, Ray Walker, Wayne Fly, and Odis Daughtridge.

#### BAND

Setting everyone's feet tapping and spirits soaring with their snappy rhythms, the Senior High Band is an organization of which we can all be proud.

Besides participating at assemblies and all our games, the band gave a formal concert in the Spring and took part in many parades.

Under Mr. Ernest Black's direction, a Dance Band was formed which proved to be a welcome addition to our social life.

If it's pep—the Band has it!

Members are: 1st row (1 to r) Gale Koonce, Jimmy Hoell, Margaret Sutton, Marshall Deans, Oon Lancaster, and Martha Sutton, 2nd row: John Fleming, Bobby Fisher, Herman Harsey, Jimmy Gardner, Bobby Collins, and Gene Eason.





(Top) Our Band marching on the field at a game. (Bottom) Mr. Black talking to members of the Band on the train to Favetteville.



Members are Haywood Evans, John Tulloss, Jon Singletary, Carlton Arp, Gene Bailey, Addison Perry. Leslie Howell, Charles Pate, Earl Cook, Donald Robbins, Ray Walker, David Collins, Randy Sutton, Talvin Daughtridge, Bobb Cash, Raymond Parker, Gary Ethridge, Autry Peele, Roy Barnes, Larry Ward, Kit Ellington, Lawrence Satterfield, Donald Daniels, Pete Jeans, Thomas Williams, Bobbb yarys, Bobbb yarys, Bobbb Jakson, Tonnny Craft, Joe Wheeler, Charles Evans, Jimmy Norvillz, Murray McDiarmid, Blarnie Tanner, Sandy Dalton, Bill Flood, Jinmy Collins, and Jimmy Mooring.

#### G. A. A.

Because of a time element, the Girls' Athletic Association intramurals are limited to members only. But the activities are being varied. The club made a float for the Homecoming Parade which was a success, taking first prize. Plans are being made to raise money for uniforms.

#### B. A. A.

This is an organization composed of boys who are particularly interested in athletics of all sorts. This club emphasizes health and exercise, and it trains these students with the hope that in the coming years they will become members of the varsities.

Advisor, Mrs. Ipock—Members: Bertha Behrendt, Sandra Brake, Evelyn Cahoon, Betsy Coleman, Joyce English, Margaret English, Sandra Fly, Frances Frazier, Barbara Gardner, Jean Harris, Patsy Jones, Pat Lowder, Annette Melvin, Jeanette Perry, Rita Price, Joyce Proctor, Mary Ellen Ricks, Betsy Sue Sallee, Jeanette Sessoms, Lynette Spain, Kay Tharrington, Katie Tyner, Ann Walston, Nina Warren, Janie Wester.



# Music Lover's Club

The aim of the Music Lover's Club is to listen to and learn more about better music. Members of this club take charge of the meetings and have at times invited guest speakers. This group has received a new record player as a gift from the school. Members are Anne Battle, Norma Hobbs, Patsy Howell, Margo Kennedy, Nancy Lane, Martha Tanner, Edith Williford, Ellen Stevall, Betty Jane Tippett, Judy Perry, James Barnes, Ted Little, and Harold Eason. Miss Pearsall is advisor to this group.

#### Bible Study Club

Church visits, guest speakers, and study help this club to learn and understand more about the Bible. One helpful service they perform is having daily devotions before classes begin.

The chief aim of this organization is to gain a better understanding of the Bible and to be able to explain it to others. Members are: Milon Barnes, John Bland, Annette Holland, Barbara Leonard, Peggy Leonard, James Marshburn, Janice Nichols, Ruth Pierce, Edith Pridgen, Mamie Raynor, Elbert Robbins, Jean Trevathan, Ellen Watson, with Miss Iola Parker as their advisor.

#### **Dramatics** Club

Designed to find talent and maintain an interest in acting, this organization has increased in size. Under the direction of a new advisor, Mrs. Hobbs, the members have learned the principles of dramatics. Members are: seated (1 to r) Edwin Fleming, Dale Stevens, Tommy Gorham, Sammy Way. Mary Ann Rotters, Mary Alice Jones. Seated on stage: Wayne Bulluck. Standing, left to right: Andy Morgan. Jimmy Waters, Tounny Inscoe, Bobby Pittman. Jimmy Drake, Mrs. Hobbs, Skippy Best, George Staton, Linda Hammond, Susie Street, George Hondros, Nancy Carr, Carolyu Nichols, Bonnie Murchison, Wynette Hicks, Dianne Nadleman, Judy Hamilton, Vickie Odom, and Louise Johnson.





First Row (I to r): James Parker, Tommy Patton, Alton Jackson, Haywood Edmondson. 2nd Row: Edwin Justa, Dennis Culpepper, Ronald Smith, Don Birchfield. 3rd Row: Gray Baines, Steve Batchelor, Roger Starling, Al Wordsworth, Bob Carr, Jackie Skinner.

#### Monogram Club

A Monogram Club always rates high in any school, and though this one is making its debut at Rocky Mount Senior High School, it is already proving its worth. Limited in size, it is quite an honor to belong to this organization. Membership can only be gained by earning a "letter" in some phase of athletic participation. Jointly advised, under the guidance of Mr. McGregor and Mr. Lundy, it has flourished during its first year on our campus.



SMITH, SKINNER, BATCHELOR



At the top we find Robert Wynne, John Pearson, and Don Harris engaged in one of the Service Club's most worth-while projects, while at the bottom we find the officers. They are Betty Lou Savage, Robert Wynne, Mrs. Robbins, Faye Kirkland, Clare Davenport, John Pearson, and Charlotte Carmichael.

The Service Club is certainly one of the most outstanding clubs in our school. Its membership is based primarily on willingness to serve, with school spirit and high character running close for second place. And serve it does! Listing all of the activities sponsored and participated in by this organization would take too long. A few of the highlights of the year's work include raising and lowering the flag, conducting community drives in school, leading devotionals for assembly programs and the PTSA meetings, and sponsoring the Sunrise Service on Easter Morning. Its main purpose is, of course, serving the school and community.

#### The Service Club

lst row: Janice Smith. Judy Powell, Jane Palmgr.n, Betty Lou Savage, Betsy Avera, Ellen Joyner, Clare Davenport, Elennor Bullock. 2nd row: Marie Stecher, Betsy Edwards, Ruth Frazier, Frances Osborne, Charlotte Carmichael, Faye Kirkland, Celia Brake, Anna Spruill, Mrs. Robbins. 3rd row: Sammy Meyer, Buddy Cockrell, Dan Robbins, Don Harris, Stanley Vaughan, Bill Dunn, John Pearson. 4th row: Robert Wynne, Michael Womble, Freddy Fulcher, Clayton Hurt, Frank Wilkinson, Johnny Brown, and Frank Brake.



#### Radio Broadcasters' Club

Training themselves for announcing, the Radio Broadcasters took as their main project the presentation of "News and Blues." Much work and time was put into this weekly broadcast, and it was heard and enjoyed every Saturday morning by many of the students in our school. It publicizes school activities and in this way enlightens the minds of members of the community for the youth. In the same way it helps raise the school spirit on our campus. With its air of distinction, this group has remained one of the finest within our school.



Left to right: Ed Riner, Pusiness Manager: Allen Updegraff, Treasurer: Octave Battle, Vice-President: Randall McIntyre, Secretary, Not pictured: O. L. Harris, President.

Seated (1 to r): Edwin Arie, Charles Pittman, Mike Landers, Charlie Moore, Adrian Turner, Ed Riner, O. L. Harris, Bill Winters, Sonja Parrish, Eetty Jean Purnell, Randall McIntyre, Jerry Blankenship. Second row: Bobby Lancaster, Joe Capel, Charles Bailey, Kenneth Tucker, Russell Clack, Tommy Hedgepeth, Chips Wood, Tommy Betts, Allen Updegraff, Norman Davis, Boyd Collins, Arky Matthews, Reynolds Jerdan.





MRS, ADA HOBBS, Director of Dramatics

### Edsonian Dramatic Organization

The Edsonians, those students taking any courses in dramatics, work into the more advanced aspects of



Norman Davis, Bobby Pierce, Jackie Jackson. Joan Batchelor, Pat Johnson, Tommy Reese, Tony Floyd, Bootle May, Peggy Bridges, Jane Winters, Miriam Viverette, Jerry Blankenship, Jimony Lindsay.

the stage. Productions and contest plays are sponsored and carried out by this group.

#### Black Masquers

Officers are: Martha Fountain, Treasurer—Joyce Burgess, Secretary—Puddie Gold, Vice-President—Larry Warner, President

Organized to reward those excelling in dramatic work, this honorary organization aids the Edsonians in their productions and also sponsors one of the yearly contest plays.

Members of the Biack Masquers are (seated) Martha Fountain, Larry Warner, Puddie Gold, Joyce Eurgess, (standing) Mitchell Collins, Tommy Hedgepeth, Frances Gay, Ray Bryant, and Tomny, Patto.



#### S. O. S. Club

The S. O. S. Club is one of the service clubs of the R. M. S. H. S. which was formed to do some of the services which other service clubs were unable to do. This club has done various jobs for our school. It has done these services in a modest way and their satisfaction is that each member has placed service over self.



Top—This float carried off honors for the S. O. S. Club in the annual Home-coming Parade. Bottom—dennette Corbitt, Treasurer—Gail Sutton, President—Miss Craighill, Advisor—Judy MacRae, Vice-President—Becky Colay, Secretary.

Members are: Vickie Taylor, Karen Proetor, Carolyn Yount, Mary Lucille Buchan, Judy Parker, Becky Coley, Gwen Curtin, Jeanette Corbitt, Joyce Burycess, Buzzy Tilley, Willard Batts, Dorsey Daniels, Bobby Daniels, Betsy Alexander, Jimmy Land, Tommy Hoobs, Allen Cronenburg, Johnny Churchill, Jimmy Parker, George Putnam, Charles Edwards, Betty Robbins, Eddie Wilhalf, Larry Medford, Peggy Lamm, Judy MacRae, Jerry Daley, and Gail Sutton.



#### Good Sports Club

The purposes of the Good Sports' Club are to promote good sportsmanship between our school and others which we may compete against and to uphold the high standards of sportsmanship, leadership, character, and service among our own students.

The club members place sportsmanship posters throughout the school, decorate the goal posts, make corsages for Homecoming, and encourage participation in all school activities, especially athletics.

The year's work is climaxed by giving the annual picnic for the boys who participated in sports.





(Top): A committee at work making corsages for the Homecoming with Mrs. Cuthrell advising. (Bottom) Officers: Kitty Thurman, Beulah Wilkins, Davetta Smith, Barbara Davis,



Members are: (l to r) Ist row: Dorothy Sykes, Nancy Harlowe, Sylvia Lancaster. Barbara Southerland, Molly Arnold, Brenda Burnette, Linda Carole Kelley, Pat Bell, Carol Wilson, Jean Watson. 2nd row: Gloria Gold. Puddie Gold, Beulah Wilkins, Judy Brown, Sonya Hooker, Eugenia Norment, Kitty Thurman, Mary Elizabeth Whitehead, Rena Vasilakou, Davetta Smith, Judy Garner, Kay Turnage, Barbara Prown, Sylvia Barrett. 3rd row: Mrs. Cuthrell, Hulda Williams, Anna Smithsen, Jo Dare Williams, Peggy Andrews, Jo-Jo Cuthrell, Barbara Davis, and Frances Gay.



Seated: Patsy Taylor, Christine Boone, Joan Pittman, Roland Blankenship, Rosalie Griffin, Don Davis, Donald Little, Chrise Overton, Earl Griffin, John Powell, Dickie Lane, Bobby Byrum, Johnny Brown, Danny Rogers. Standing: Billy Griffin, Edna Tyson, Hilda Perry, Jo Ann Arrington, Harry Rose, Gene Wright, Charles Staton, Billy Peele, Milton Williams, Gerald Joyner, Norman Brown, and Harold Martin.

#### Distributive Education Club

Seated: Don Davis, Associate President; Mrs. Hunt, Advisor; Christine Boone, President, Standing; Earl Griffin, Treasurer; Patsy Taylor, Secretary; Edna Tyson, Vice-President; Danny Rogers, Devotional Chairman; and Dickle Lanc, Parliamentarian.



The Distributive Education Club is in close contact with the businessman on Main Street. Each member of this organization works part time in a downtown establishment. Very active in state circles, this local club makes an outstanding showing in competition with other groups.

This club helps its members to further their business abilities and to become better prepared for any business contacts they may make in the future.

#### National Honor Society

This National Honorary Organization gives recognition to outstanding students in Rocky Mount Senior High School. Membership in this society is based on scholarship, leadership, character, and service.

The main project of this group is washing cars to earn money to award some deserving student toward furthering his education.

Those tapped last year served as marshals at commencement. Students in both the Junior and Senior Classes became members of this organization during an impressive ceremony in candlelight.

Under the able guidance of Miss Wita Bond, these students will leave high school with high ideals and become the leaders of tomorrow.

> Front, left to right: Clare Davenport, Treasurer; Jo Dare Williams, Secretary. Back Row, left to right: Jackie Skinner, President; Kitty Thurman, Vice-President.

> Busy at work washing a car are (in front) Dan Woodruff and Luanne Hobbs; (behind the car, left to right) Larry Warner, Don Harris, Faye Kirkland, Ellen Joyner, This is the big money-raising project carried on by the National Honor Society for the purpose of helping some student to further his education.





Front row: (1 to r) Bettie Ann Whitehurst, Lee Newby, Jo Dare Williams, Luanne Hobbs, Clare Davenport, Charlotte Carmichael, Martha Ann Fountain. Second row: Lois Pollard, Ellen Joyner, Kitty Thurman, Eleanor Bulluck, Jean Edwards, Faye Kirkland, Don Harris, Dan Woodruff. Back row: Miss Bond, advisor, Edward Riner, Jackie Skinner, Frank Wilkinson Larry Warner.



#### The Phalanx Club





The Phalanx Club is another organization that offers its services to the school. These students work without glory on many major and minor jobs. Civic duties such as drives and benefits also receive the aid of these workers. They have compiled a Parents' Handbook giving helpful information about our school to our parents. If there's a job to do, the Phalanx Club will do it.

Officers are: Joyce Griffin, Chaplain; Peggy Singletury, Secretary; Leighton Smith, President: Tommy Whitley, Vice-President: and Betty Lou Price, Treasurer.

Some members of the Phalanx are shown at work on the Parents' Handbook. They are ((l to r) Louise Watts, Elaine Bell, Ronald Robinson, Jo Sugg, and Caroline Campbell.

Members are: 1st row: Esther Joyner, Sheila Lee, Elaine Bell, Rena Walker, Lillian Currie, Julia Sutton, Louise Watts. 2nd row: Caroline Campbell, Iris Edwards, Joyce Griffin, Nancy Parker, Jo Sugg, Jeanie Dixon. 3rd row: Connie Griffin, Marilyn Pearce, Claudia Tolston, Joyce Lewis, Pat Clack. 4th row: Leighton Smith, Tommy Whitley, Betty Lou Price, Peggy Singletary. 5th row: Ronald Robinson, John Sturgess. 6th row: Mr. Edson.



#### Quill and Scroll



Front row: Left to right: Clare Davenport, Edward Riner, Larry Warner, Luanne Hobbs. Second row: Jean Edwards, Barbara Davis, and Lee Newby. Back row: Mrs. Young, advisor, Ellen Joyner, Ed Justa, and Bettie Ann Whitehurst.

An International Honorary Society for High School Journalists, the Quill and Scroll accepts only those members of *The Blackbird* and HI-NOCAR Staffs who have excelled in journalistic participation as well as ranking in the upper part of their class.

Strike up the band! The Majorettes are an integral part of the band organization, and when the fall of the year rolls round, we see this group busily practicing their prancing steps. Elaine Bell, Patsy Viverette, Esther Joyner, Linda Ezzelle, and Ann Warren were our '56 Majorettes.

"Maybe you ought to use this for home work, Henry," suggests Mr. Edson as he presents Henry Hinson with a typewriter for being the lucky winner in the drawing in the magazine campaign. Mary Elizabeth Whiteherd, Vickie Taylor, and Jim Warren are absorbed with the luggage they won for being high scorers.









Athletics



Coaching staff of the Blackbirds for 1956-57. Left to right: Coaches John Brown, Johnny Guiton and Pat Patterson.

#### Through football boys develop minds and bodies . . . .





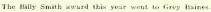
Our most devoted and loyal worker, who was more than a manager, Larry Medford,



Team captain for the entire year, Jackie Skinner.

Through football, boys develop minds and bodies. The spirit of true sportsmanship, the determination to attain the height of one's ambitions, the ability to make swift accurate decisions, and the ability to carry them out are all natural products of a well coached football program. Coaches who are interested in their boys as individuals, as well as athletes, not only create strong bodies for the boys, a football team for the school, but also help greatly to prepare their charges for future life.

Most valuable player on the team was Adam Maples







Rocky Mount scores again on Fayetteville. Ours was the only team in the conference to score twice on the Buildogs, but it still wasn't enough to win. Rocky Mount 13—Fayetteville 19.





The Varsity





JOHNNY GUITON, Head Coach



PAUL EILERS



JAMES PARKER Halfback

JOHN BROWN

The Blackbird football team of 1956, starting on a rebuilding program after losing 19 lettermen from the 1955 powerhouse, went through the season under new head coach Johnny Guiton with a 4-6 record.

Three of the four RMSHS victories came over non-conference foes, while in Eastern Triple-A Conference play the Blackbirds won one of six games.

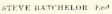
The lone conference victory was against Goldsboro, 25-19, in a game that saw the Blackbirds playing perhaps their best of the season. That game, plus a 34-6 romp over Cary, was the high point of the season for the Birds, a team that was hit hard by injuries all season.

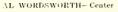
But there were also some low spots, darkest of which came in the year's final game against Wilson. The arch-rival Cyclones rolled up 20 points in the second quarter and went on to dump Rocky Mount 32-0, and the season also opened on a sad note, as Oxford Orphanage upset the Birds, 12-6

Rocky Mount played two strong games against two of the conference's top teams, losing to Fayetteville by 19-13 and to Ralelgh by 7-0. Other losses were 26-0 to Wilmington and 26-7 to Durham, while the Blackbirds stopped New Bern by 20-13 and Petersburg, Virginia, by 13-7.

The Blackbirds had their standout performers. Fullback Adam Maples ranked with the best in the state. He made the second All-Conference team and the second All-State team, and was also selected to play in the Shrine Bowl and East-West games. Paul Eilers, a guard, was all-State and All-Conference team, while guard Grey Baines and Williams received honorable mention in the All-State voting.

The football team also suffered a loss after the season was over, as Coach Guiton resigned to become an assistant coach at the Citadel. During his one season at RMSHS Coach Guiton was ably assisted by backfield coach Pat Patterson and line coach Johnny Brown, who also coached the B-squad.





MITCHELL, COLLINS-End











Top row (standing) left to right: Coach John Guiton, Coach Pat Patterson, Coach John Brown, Gary Bailey, Johnny Williams, Jinmy Newell, Buzzy Tilley, Bobby Daniels, Mike Brown, Tommy Mears, Ronald Perry, Bobby Jo3 Ayers, Jimmy Gilbert, Manager Larry Medford, Assistant Manager Willie Maples.

Second row (kneeling) left to right: John Baggett, Alton Oakley, Love Bryn2, Allen Updegraff, Jimmy Waters, Mitchell Collins, Ronald Smith, Bill Coleson, Ricky Crowley, Roger Starling, Blount Taylor.

Third row (left to right): Bobby Cash, Tommy Patton, Adam Maples, Jackie Williams, Al Wordsworth, Paul Eilers, Jackie Skinner, Don Burchfield, Steve Batchelor, James Parker, John Brown, Haywood Edmundson.

ROGER STARLING-End

GARY BAILEY-Halfback

ALTON OAKLEY-Quarterback

ADAM MAPLES-Fullback











FOMMY PATTON Center



Standing (L to R): Coach Brown, Jimmy Newell, Lennie Huches, Mike Brown, Gary Ethridge, Sandy Dalton, Jimmy Gilbert, Kneeing (L to R): Bobby Daniels, Tommy Mears, David Williams, Johnny Williams, Joe Wheeler, Murray McDiarmid, Blarney Tanner, Kirk Haskins, Seated (L to R): Tommy Hedgepeth, Larry Ward, Buzzy Tilley, Charles Edwards, Joha Bandy, Tommy Adkins, Charlie Evans.



Rocky Mount High School's B-Squad tootball team struggled through a rugged 1956 season, but proved that persistence pays off when they registered a 13-7 triumph over Raleigh in the final game of the year.

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The victory over Raleigh was the only one of the season for the Babybirds, who played through their schedule minus any degree of reserve strength. In one game the Babybirds dressed out only 15 boys, and in another there were only six reserves on hand.

The season, which saw one victory against five defeats, opened with a 7-0 loss to Wilson. And two other games went by before Rocky Mount finally hit the scoring column. The Babybirds lost to Goldsboro in the home opener by 27-0 and then lost to Raleigh in Raleigh by 13-0.

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home opener by 27-0 and then lost to Raleigh in Raleigh by 13-0.

Against Durham at Durham weak pass defense paved the way tor a 26-13 loss, but the Babybirds had finally feund a touchdown punch. In the season's fifth game, however, the Birds went to Goldsboro hungry for vengeance, but were treated to a 32-0 mauling in a rough and tumble game that saw tempers flare on and off the field.

The final game brought Raleigh to Rocky Mount, and coach Johnny Brown had his Babybirds primed. With fleet hallback Dorsey Daniels leading the way, Rocky Mount rang up its only win of the year. Daniels ran 65 and 64 vards on beautiful touchdown scanners and also cracked over

ran 65 and 64 yards on beautiful touchdown scampers and also cracked over for the extra point.

Though the season produced no great won-lost record, there were a

mumber of boys who played well throughout the year.

Most consistent defensive standouts were tackle Mike Brown, guard
Jimmy Newell, tackle Tommy Mears, and guard Larry Ward.

Offensively, Daniels and halfback Tommy Bolton turned in the most
consistent work, along with quarterback-halfback Bobby Joe Ayers and

halfback Haywood Edmundson who was shifted from a guard position.
Other boys noted for strong play during the season were John Bandy,
Jerry Daley, and Edmundson on defense; and Johnny Williams, Sammy Meyer and Kirk Haskins offensively.

RONALD SMITH-Guard

JIMMY GILBERT-Guard

BUZZY TILLEY-Guard

JOHN BAGGETT-Fullback











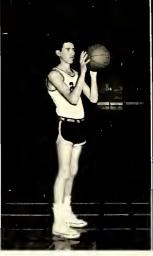




JIMMY PARKER-Forward



BOB MOORE-Center



LESLIE HOWFLI-Guard



EDWARD DUNN-Forward



#### Basketball

#### Birds Rebuild

After several very successful seasons of strong Blackbird basketball teams, our present cage crew is faced with the difficult task of rebuilding. Losing through graduation every letterman from the fine squad of last year, coaches Lundy, Guiton, and Brown were forced to start with a team of virtually no varsity experience. The boys, however, working enthusiastically and profiting by their mistakes, have improved steadily and are rapidly becoming a threat to conference opponents. To quote coach Lundy, "We're coming along real well. The boys are conscientious workers and we just might surprise some people before tournament time."

ALTON OAKLEY-Guard

ROLAND PARKER-Center

JOHN TULLOSS-Guard

BOBBY JOE AYERS-Guare













First Row (1 to r): David Harper, Russell Clack, John Tulloss, Jackie Williams, Leslie Howell. Second Row (1 to r): Bobby Joe Ayers, Norman Davis, Edward Dunn, Alton Oakley, Haywood Evans, Lee Bulluck (Manager). Third Row (1 to r): Coach Bill Lundy, Jimmy Parker, Freddie Fulcher, Clarence Williams, Bob Moore, Roland Parker, Assistant Coach John Brown.

#### CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Jan. 4	Durham There	Jan. 29 🔠	.Durham	Here
Jan. 8	Goldsboro Here	Feb. 1	$\operatorname{Goldsboro}$	There
Jan. 11	Fayetteville There	Feb. 5	Fayetteville	Here
Jan. 15	. Open	Feb. 8	Open	
Jan, 18	Wilson Here	Feb. 12	Wilson	There
Jan. 22	Raleigh There	Feb. 15	Raleigh	Here
Jan. 25	Wilmington Here	Feb. 19	Wilmington	There

Boys scramble for a rebound in action packed Wilmington game.

USSELL CLACK-Guard

NORMAN DAVIS- Forward

FREDDY FULCHER-Forward

HAYWOOD EVANS--Forward











#### Baseball

Going into the 1957 baseball season, Coach Johnny Brown's Blackbirds looked ahead with high hopes for a good season, but also faced the problem of solving a few important question marks.

Lettermen talent was plentiful, but lack of an experienced catcher, first baseman, and second line pitcher looked like big problems.

Alton Oakley, the Birds' No. 2 pitcher last year and a talented southpaw, was expected to lead the mound corps in 1957. From such boys as Jimmy Mooring, John Tulloss, Clarence Williams, Haywood Evans and others Coach Brown hoped to give Oakley the necessary backing.

With the exception of first base, the infield looked strong, with lettermen at every position. Roger Starling at third base. Alton Jackson at shortstop and Jackie Williams at second base gave the Blackbirds good infield material. Lawrence Satterfield, a sophomore, looked like the best bet for first base.

The catching situation was expected to be eased by Grey Baines, Blarnie Tanner, and Larry Ward.

The outfield candidates were headed by Steve Batchelor and Don Burchfield, with a lot of good young talent on hand also.



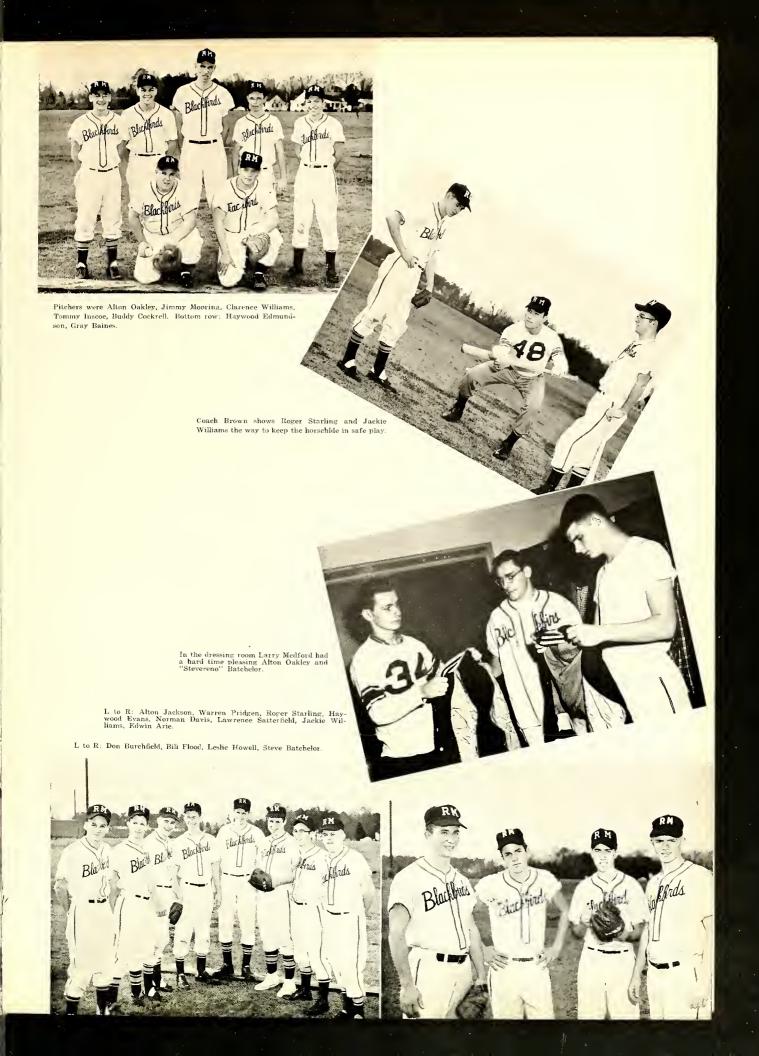
COACH JOHN BROWN

#### CONFERENCE BASEBALL SCHEDULE 1956-57

Durham	March 29	. Here
Wilson	April 2	There
Fayetteville	April 5 .	Here
Wilmington	April 9	Here
Raleigh	April 12	There
Goldsboro	. April 16	Here
Durham	April 23	There
Wilson	April 26	Here
Fayetteville	April 30	There
Wilmington .	.May 3	There
Raleigh	May 7	. Here
Goldsboro	May 10	There

Sitting (L to R): Warren Pridgen, Roger Starling, Alton Jackson, Jackie Williams, Alton Oakley, Haywood Edmundson, Jimmy Mooring. Kneeling (L to R): Bill Flood, Leslie Howell, Tommy Inscoe, Haywood Evans, Buldy Cockrell, Edward Arie. Standing (L to R): Steve Butchelor, Gray Baines, Lawrence Satterfield, Norman Davis, Clarence Williams, Don Burchfield, Manager Larry Medford, Coach John Brown.







Tennis Squad for 1957 were first row (1 to r) Bobby Joe Ayers, Edward Dunn. Second row (1 to r) Russell Clack, Charles Edwards. Third row (1 to r) Reed Nelson, Henry Hinson. Fourth row (1 to r) J. B. Williford.

#### **Tennis**



Coach Bill Lundy discusses care of tennis equipment with Reed Nelson, one of the front line performers.

This year's tennis team, although young and inexperienced, proved that determination and real team spirit can pull you through the toughest matches.

Reed Nelson, playing in the top position most of the year, proved to be a capable leader. All the boys worked hard throughout the entire season, and came out as well as could be expected in conference standings.

Russell Clack and Bobby Joe Ayers display their instruments of athletic combat on the court).



#### Golf

This year's golf team proved to be as strong as was expected. The main factor in crediting this team with so much success was experience. For the entire four years they have been in high school, Don Harris, Ed Justa, and Adam Maples have been playing in the top four positions on the golf team. Last year Haywood Edmundson filled in the fourth position and was a great help to the team again this year. Some of the newcomers this year were Jerry Daley, Allen Cronenberg, John Hines, and Henry Waters who will in the future make up the entire golf team.



Coach Horace Felton shows some of the members of the team the face of the club and explains its uses. To Haywood he said, "It's not for beating rocks around."

This year's golf team consisted of: Top (1 to r) Jerry Daley, Henry Waters, Allen Cronenberg, John Hines. Bottom (1 to r) Adam Maples, Kit Ellington, Dan Robbins, and Haywood Edmundson. Not pictured are: Ed Justa and Don Harris.



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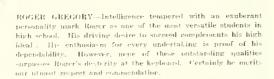


Features

CLARE DAVENPORT—Outstanding is certainly the word for Clare. It covers every phase of her life. Unassuming, and serens, her kind nature and friendly manner have made her one of the most respected students as well as citizens in Rocky Mount. Usually found at work, either on the "Blackbird" or with her books, she is never too busy to lend a helping hand. Sincerity, dependability, leadership, and poise all go into the description of Clare, an ideal girl



#### Outstanding



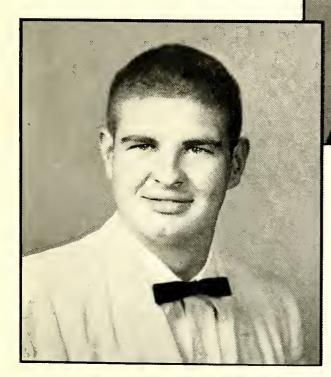
LEE NEWBY—Let is a perfect c ample of the effervescent personality always bubbling over with good will and friendliness. She likes everyhedy, and the feeling is outual! Never one to seek the limelight, her talents have been recognized on numerous occasions. Capable, responsible, enthusiastic, completely honest and unaffected, the has won a mique place for herself in the hearts of her many friends. A good student and the life of the party—an unbeatable combination.





DON HARRIS—Of all the students who have upheld the laurels of the Class of 1957 for the past four years. Don has taken the lead. Besides being scholarly, he possesses qualities of sincerity, honesty, and friendship that have made him an asset to any group. Truly an outstanding person in every way, his talents find expression in activities ranging all the way from "golfing on the links" to leading our student body as President of the Student Organization. We admire his ability, respect his wise counsel, and love his firm, clear-cut, principled character.

#### Seniors



FETTIE ANN WHITEHURST—Here is the type of person who is happiest when she has the most to do. Not only has she been a leader as Editor of the Hi-Noc-Ar, but you'll find her name in the beauty court on the National Honor Society roll, and on the roster of cheerleaders. In whatever undertaking, Bettie Ann gives her all! She feels responsibility keenly, and applies herself wholeheartedly to every task. An animated face, an alert mind, a lively wit, and a vivacious manner, honesty, integrity, and humbleness are all integral parts of this "best all around" girl.

JACKIE SKINNER—A good number of pounds and a brilliant mind are rare grits, and Jackie certainly has both. He personifies leadership as he executes the high office of President of the National Honor Society and captain of the football team. He also possesses an infallible good humor, which accounts for his extreme popularity. Never too busy to do countless, thankless jobs, he is the essence of dependability, courtesy and kindliness. Jackie has assuredly made our school a better place, and his name will long be remembered.

FAYE KIRKLAND—Faye has a quiet, reserved manner that is so typical of the sweet unassuming person that she is. She is attractive to see and equally attractive to know. Conscientious, thorough, and efficient, she approaches every task with eager willingness, and manazes to do all that is expected of her—and more. If there is any truth in the saying that "honest labor brings happiness", we need wonder no more about Faye's radiant critic.



#### Outstanding

ADAM MAPLES—The tern, "personality plus" must have been invented for Adam; for rarely does one find a young man with more personal magnetism. His happy, contagious grin, amiable disposition, and genume interest in others have won him many friends. Definitely one of the most versatile members of the Senior Class, he excels in leadership. Whether presiding at a class meeting, working on annual layouts, singing, playing golf or beading the football team to victory, Adam can be counted on to do his hest!

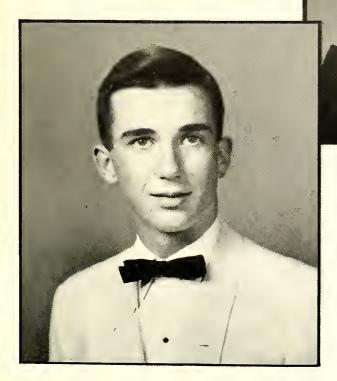
KITTY THURMAN A person of refinement, poice and genuine sincerity—that's Kitty. Her beautiful red hair, infectious smile, amiable disposition of the "all-weather" variety are characteristic of our lovely "Miss Print." In Kitty we find a dependable worker, a fun-loving spirit, and a keen mind. She has set the highest of standard, for herself, and has maintained them successfully!





JACKIE WILLIAMS—Constancy to purpose and the worthy ambition to obtain the highest goals in fife are paving the road to success for Jackie. His dignity, sincerity, and complete trustworthiness bespeak a character above reproach. His contributions to high school life have not been limited to the athletic field (although he is a three letter man) for he has put spirit into action in the classroom, in his church, and in the community. In Jackie we have a "good sport" at his best.

#### Seniors



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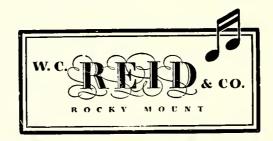








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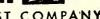
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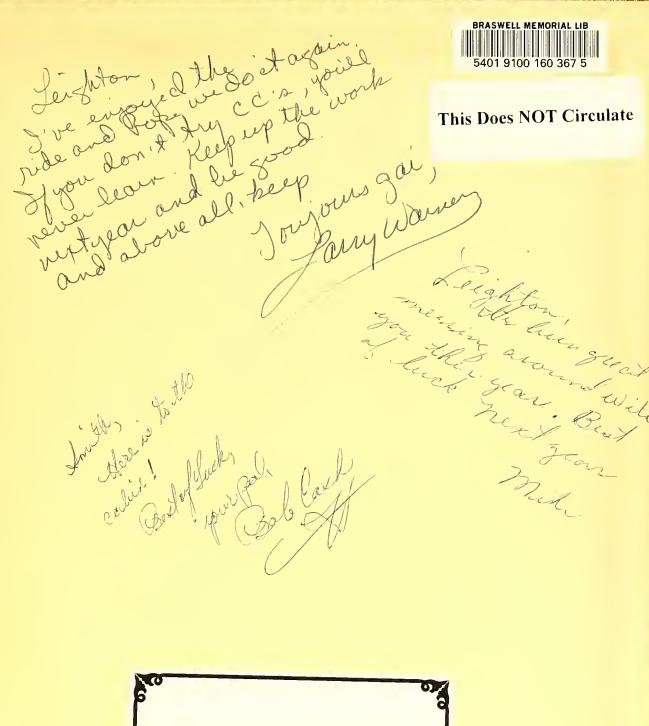
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